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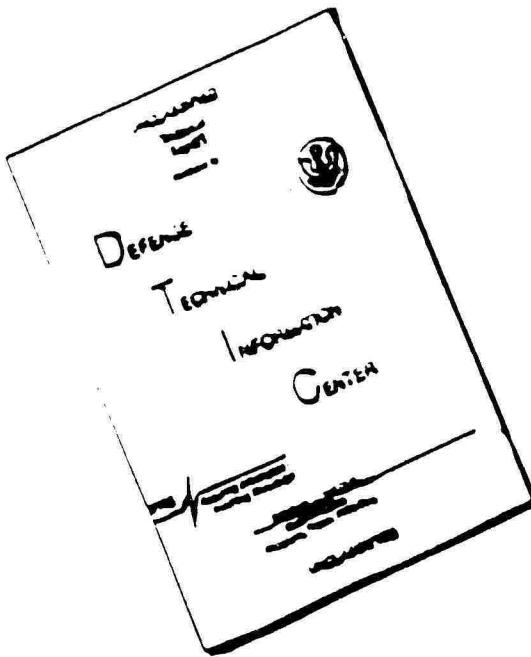
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### I. SUMMARY

In previous calculations, the moment of inertia of a liquid in a circular cylindrical tank was treated as a mass-point or solid cylindrical body. Since, however, the moment of inertia of the fluid is considerably different from those, the following investigation was carried out.

The solutions of the fluid dynamics equations were derived for an ideal fluid (incompressible and nonviscous) in a completely filled circular cylindrical tank. The moment of inertia of the ideal fluid was compared with the moment of inertia of the same fluid in a frozen state. Due to the complexity of the case with friction, no damping could be incorporated. But, it can be seen that the values of the moment of inertia ratio  $\frac{I_{\text{ideal}}}{I_{\text{frozen}}}$  with damping are located between the ratio of the ideal fluid case and unity.

The moment of inertia of a liquid in a partially filled tank is strongly frequency-dependent. It is obtained for translational and rotational motion of the tank from the results of Reference 1. Damping was introduced as in Reference 2.

## II. INTRODUCTION

To obtain a more correct value for the control frequency, in which the moment of inertia of the missile appears as  $I^{\text{eff}}$ , the following investigation was carried out.

Since the fluid in the tanks was considered as a mass point in its center of gravity in the undisturbed position of the fluid, which obviously is a very rough approximation, a better approach was made by solving the hydrodynamic equations. The moment of inertia can then be calculated with the theorem of Steiner for any pivot point, if the moments of inertia for a parallel and rotational motion around the center of gravity of the undisturbed fluid are known. In order to find these values a few additional hydrodynamic problems had to be solved for a completely enclosed fluid mass in the cylindrical tank (full tank). The values for a partially filled tank can be taken from Reference 1. The damping effect was considered in the same way as it was taken in Reference 2.

We consider a cylindrical tank filled (completely or partially) with fluid. The motion of the fluid in the tank causes a moment around the center of gravity of the undisturbed fluid. Since the moment is

$$M = I\ddot{\theta} \quad (1)$$

the moment of inertia  $I$  can be obtained. For any pivot point of a tank motion we are able to calculate with the theorem of Steiner the moment of inertia  $I$ , if we know the moments of inertia of horizontal and rotational motions. (Fig. 2)

The total moment of inertia is

$$I = mI_{\text{hor}} + I_{\text{rot}} + I_{\text{fl}} \quad (2)$$

III. NOMENCLATURE

$r, \phi, z$	cylindrical coordinates (See Fig. 1)
$\Phi, \Psi, \Phi$	velocity potentials
$t$	time
$\rho$	fluid density
$b$	acceleration in $z$ -direction
$p$	pressure
$h$	fluid height
$a$	tank radius
$\omega_n$	natural circular frequency of fluid
$\omega$	circular forced frequency
$x_0$	small displacement in $x$ -direction
$i$	imaginary unit
$l$	distance of pivot point to undisturbed center of gravity of fluid
$Q_0$	small angular displacement around center of gravity of undisturbed fluid
$\psi$	Fluid moment around center of gravity of un- disturbed fluid (pos. in clockwise direction)
$T_\nu$	Bessel function of the order $\nu$ of the first kind
$E_n$	zeros of the first derivative of the Bessel function of first order and first kind. $T'_1(E_n) = 0$ ( $n = 1, 2, \dots$ )
$\cdot$	means differentiation with respect to time $t$
$\cdot \cdot$	double mass
$\cdot \cdot$	moment of inertia

Subscript par. means: for parallel motion

Subscript rot. means: for rotational motion around y-axis

#### IV. COMPLETELY FILLED CYLINDRICAL TANK

We consider here a completely filled cylindrical tank, in which we do not have a free fluid surface.

##### (a) Translative Motion (Fig. 1)

Since we consider the fluid incompressible, we immediately see that the moment for a full tank for translative motion is zero.

$$M_{\text{trans}} = 0 \quad (3)$$

The normal fluid velocities at the tank boundaries are the same as the boundary velocities normal to itself. For inviscid fluid we have to solve (See Ref. 1)

$$\Delta \Phi = 0 \quad (4)$$

with the boundary conditions

$$\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial z} = 0 \text{ for } z = \pm \frac{h}{2} \text{ at bottom and top}$$

$$\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial r} = i \omega x_0 e^{i \omega t} \cos \phi \quad \text{for } r = a \text{ at tank wall} \quad (5)$$

Either by physical consideration or by solving this equation with the given boundary conditions it can be found that the velocity potential is independent from the axial coordinate  $z$  and is

$$\Phi(r, \phi) = i \omega x_0 e^{i \omega t} r \cos \phi \quad (6)$$

Since the pressures at the boundaries are

$$p_{\text{wall}} = -g \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial z} \right)_{r=a} + g b \left( \frac{h}{2} - z \right) = g \omega^2 x_0 e^{i\omega t} r \cos \phi + g b \left( \frac{h}{2} - z \right)^2 \quad (2)$$

$$p_{\text{top}} = -g \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial z} \right)_{z=\frac{h}{2}} = g \omega^2 x_0 e^{i\omega t} r \cos \phi \quad (2)$$

$$p_{\text{bottom}} = -g \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial z} \right)_{z=-\frac{h}{2}} + g b h = g \omega^2 x_0 e^{i\omega t} r \cos \phi + g b h \quad (2)$$

and the moment is

$$\begin{aligned} M = a \iint_{-h/2}^{h/2} p_{\text{wall}} z \cos \phi dz d\phi + \\ + \iint_{0}^{\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} (p_{\text{bottom}} - p_{\text{top}}) r^2 \cos \phi dr d\phi \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

we finally find for the transmissive motion

$$x_{\text{par}} = 0 \quad I_{\text{par}} = 0 \quad (2)$$

#### (b) Rotational motion (Fig. 1)

For an oscillation around the  $y$ -axis as shown in Fig. 1 we shall obtain the moment of inertia  $I_{\text{rot}}$ . We have to solve (See Ref. 1) the Laplace equation

$$\Delta \bar{\Phi} = 0 \quad (2)$$

with the boundary conditions

$$\frac{\partial \bar{\Phi}}{\partial r} = -i\omega \theta_0 e^{i\omega t} z \cos \phi \quad \text{for } r = a$$

$$\frac{\partial \bar{\Phi}}{\partial z} = +i\omega \theta_0 e^{i\omega t} r \cos \phi \quad \text{for } z = \pm \frac{h}{2} \quad (2)$$

The velocity potential  $\tilde{\Phi} = \tilde{\Phi}(r, \phi, t)$  is transformed into a time independent potential  $\Psi(r, \phi, z)$  by

$$\tilde{\Phi} = \Psi e^{i\omega t} \quad (14)$$

which fulfills the Laplace equation

$$\Delta \Psi = 0 \quad (15)$$

and has the boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r} &= -i\omega \theta_0 z \cos \phi && \text{for } r=a \\ \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} &= +i\omega \theta_0 r \cos \phi && \text{for } z=\pm \frac{h}{2} \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

In order to make the first boundary condition homogeneous, we introduce the transformation

$$\Psi = \tilde{\Phi} - i\omega \theta_0 z r \cos \phi \quad (17)$$

and obtain a new set of equations

$$\Delta \tilde{\Phi} = 0 \quad (18)$$

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\Phi}}{\partial r} = 0 \quad \text{for } r=a$$

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\Phi}}{\partial z} = 2i\omega \theta_0 r \cos \phi \quad \text{for } z=\pm \frac{h}{2} \quad (19)$$

The solution of the Laplace equation

$$\Delta \tilde{\Phi} = 0 \quad (20)$$

is (see Appendix)

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Phi}(r, \phi, z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ A_n \cosh(\lambda_n z) + B_n \sinh(\lambda_n z) \right\} \cdot \\ &\quad \left\{ C_n \sin(v\phi) + D_n \cos(v\phi) \right\} \cdot I_v(i\lambda_n r) \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

From the boundary conditions it was found, that

$$v=0;$$

$$C_{n=0}, \quad B_n = \frac{4i\omega a^2 \theta}{\epsilon_n(\epsilon_n^2 - 1) I_1(\epsilon_n) \cosh(\frac{\epsilon_n h}{2a})} \quad (22)$$

$$A_n=0;$$

And finally we obtain for the velocity potential

$$\Phi(r, \theta, z, t) = -i\omega g_0 e^{i\omega t} \frac{r}{2} \cos \theta \left\{ \frac{z}{a} - 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{I_1(\epsilon_n \frac{r}{2}) \tanh(\epsilon_n \frac{h}{2})}{\epsilon_n(\epsilon_n^2 - 1) I_1(\epsilon_n) \cosh(\epsilon_n \frac{h}{2})} \right\}$$

The pressure distributions are:

$$P_{uu} = -g \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial r} \right)_{r=a} + g b \left( \frac{h}{2} - z + a \theta [1 - \cos \phi] \right) \quad (24a)$$

$$P_{uvm} = -g \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial r} \right)_{r=\frac{h}{2}} + g b \left( h + \theta [a - r \cos \phi] \right) \quad (24b)$$

$$P_{v,p} = -g \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial r} \right)_{r=\frac{h}{2}} - g b \theta [a - r \cos \phi] \quad (24c)$$

which is

$$P_{uu} = -g \omega^2 g_0 e^{i\omega t} a^2 \cos \theta \left\{ \frac{z}{a} - 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\tanh(\epsilon_n \frac{h}{2})}{\epsilon_n(\epsilon_n^2 - 1) \cosh(\epsilon_n \frac{h}{2})} \right\} + g b \left( \frac{h}{2} - z - a \theta \cos \phi + a \theta \right) \quad (25a)$$

$$P_{uvm} = -g \omega^2 g_0 e^{i\omega t} a^2 \cos \theta \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \frac{h}{a} + \right. \\ \left. + 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{I_1(\epsilon_n \frac{r}{2}) \tanh(\epsilon_n \frac{h}{2})}{\epsilon_n(\epsilon_n^2 - 1) I_1(\epsilon_n)} \right\} + g b (h - \theta r \cos \phi + a \theta) \quad (25b)$$

$$P_{v,p} = -g \omega^2 \theta g_0 e^{i\omega t} a^2 \cos \theta \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \frac{h}{a} \frac{r}{a} - \right. \quad (25c)$$

$$\left. - 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{I_1(\epsilon_n \frac{r}{2}) \tanh(\epsilon_n \frac{h}{2})}{\epsilon_n(\epsilon_n^2 - 1) I_1(\epsilon_n)} \right\} + g b (a \theta - r \theta \cos \phi)$$

$$( \theta = g_0 e^{i\omega t} )$$

with formula (15, and see ref. 1)

$$\int r^2 I_1(\varepsilon_n \frac{r}{a}) dr = \frac{a^6}{\varepsilon_n^2} I_1(\varepsilon_n)$$

we obtain for the moment around the center of gravity

$$\begin{aligned} M &= -ma^2 \omega^2 \theta e^{i\omega t} \left\{ \frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{h}{a} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2 \tanh \left( \frac{i\omega h}{2\varepsilon_n} \right)}{\varepsilon_n^2 (\varepsilon_n^2 - 1)} - 1 \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

Since

$$\frac{1}{2} = 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n^2 (\varepsilon_n^2 - 1)}$$

the moment is then

$$M = -ma^2 \omega^2 \theta e^{i\omega t} \left\{ \frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{h}{a} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{4} + 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\tanh \left( \frac{i\omega h}{2\varepsilon_n} \right) - 2}{\varepsilon_n^2 (\varepsilon_n^2 - 1)} \right\} \quad (27)$$

Since

$$\dot{\theta} = \dot{\varphi} \times -\omega^2 \Theta I$$

the moment of inertia for a filled cylinder with incompressible and non-viscous fluid is

$$I = ma^2 \left\{ \frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{h}{a} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{4} + 4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\tanh \left( \frac{i\omega h}{2\varepsilon_n} \right) - 2}{\varepsilon_n^2 (\varepsilon_n^2 - 1)} \right\} \quad (28)$$

where

$$I_0 = ma^2 \left\{ \frac{1}{12} \left( \frac{h}{a} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{4} \right\} \quad (29a)$$

is the moment of inertia of a rigid cylinder with height  $h$  and radius  $a$  and

$$I_{corr} = 4ma^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\tanh \left( \frac{i\omega h}{2\varepsilon_n} \right) - 2}{\varepsilon_n^2 (\varepsilon_n^2 - 1)} \quad (29b)$$

is the correction moment of inertia due to the fact that the fluid in the cylinder is not rigid. (Fig. 3) In Fig. 4 the ratio of the moment of inertia of the fluid and moment of inert of the "frozen state" is shown.

$$\frac{I_{\text{fluid}}}{I_{\text{rigid}}} = 1 + 48 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{\frac{2 \tan(\frac{\omega t}{2})}{(\frac{\omega t}{2})^2 + 3} - \frac{1}{(\frac{\omega t}{2})^2 + 3}}{\epsilon_n^2 (\epsilon_n^2 - 1)} \right\} - \frac{6}{(\frac{\omega t}{2})^2 + 3} \quad (29c)$$

For  $\frac{\omega t}{2} \rightarrow \infty$  we obtain

$$\lim_{\frac{\omega t}{2} \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{I_{\text{fluid}}}{I_{\text{rigid}}} \right) = 1$$

and for  $\frac{\omega t}{2} \rightarrow 0$

$$\lim_{\frac{\omega t}{2} \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{I_{\text{fluid}}}{I_{\text{rigid}}} \right) = 1$$

#### V. PARTIALLY FILLED CYLINDRICAL TANK

For a partially filled tank the moments have been obtained in Ref. 1 and can be taken from there.

##### (a) Translative Motion (Fig. 1)

The moment of a translative motion referred to the undisturbed position of the center of gravity of the fluid is (See 57 - Ref. 1)

$$\tilde{M} = \omega^2 x_0 e^{-\omega t} m_a \left[ \frac{1}{3} \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\frac{m_a n (\epsilon_n^2)^2 + (\epsilon_n^2) \cos(\epsilon_n^2)}{\epsilon_n^2 (\epsilon_n^2 - 1)} - \frac{2}{\epsilon_n^2}}{\epsilon_n^2 (\epsilon_n^2 - 1)} \right] \quad (30)$$

or with

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\epsilon_n^2 (\epsilon_n^2 - 1)} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\tilde{M} = \omega^2 x_0 e^{-\omega t} m_a \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\epsilon_n^2 (\epsilon_n^2 - 1)} \left\{ \frac{\frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{\omega t}{2}^2 - 2 \right) + \epsilon_n^2 \tan(\epsilon_n^2) + \frac{2}{3} \cos(\epsilon_n^2)}{\left( \frac{\omega t}{2} - 1 \right)} \right\} \quad (31)$$

Introducing a damping factor in the way we did in Ref. 2., we obtain for the moment

$$\tilde{M} = \omega^2 x_0 e^{-\omega t} m_a \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{\omega t}{2}^2 - 2 \right) + \epsilon_n^2 \tan(\epsilon_n^2) + \frac{2}{3} \cos(\epsilon_n^2)}{\left( \epsilon_n^2 (\epsilon_n^2 - 1) \frac{\omega t}{2} - \frac{2}{3} + \epsilon_n^2 \right)} \quad (32)$$

and finally for the moment of inertia ( $\lambda_0 = 10$ )

$$\lambda_{\text{rot}} \cdot m\omega \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\frac{2}{3}(\omega_0^2 - 2) + E_n \tan(E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}) + \frac{4}{3} \cos(E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0})}{E_n^2(E_n^2 - 1)(\omega_0^2 - 1 + \frac{4}{3} \frac{\omega_0}{\omega})} = \lambda_{\text{rot}} \quad (33)$$

$$\lambda_{\text{rot}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\frac{2}{3}(\omega_0^2 - 2) + E_n \tan(E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}) + \frac{4}{3} \cos(E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0})}{E_n^2(E_n^2 - 1)(\omega_0^2 - 1 + \frac{4}{3} \frac{\omega_0}{\omega})} \quad (\text{Fig. 5, 6}) \quad (33a)$$

### (b) Rotational Motion (Fig. 1)

The moment referred to the undisturbed position of the center of gravity of the fluid for a partially filled cylindrical tank performing a rotational motion around the  $x$ -axis as shown in Fig. 1 is (See (33) Ref. 1)

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\lambda}_{\text{rot}} = & \omega^4 \cdot \theta \cdot e^{-\omega t} \cdot m^2 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{5}{2} \cdot 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{E_n^2(E_n^2 - 1)} \left( \frac{1}{E_n} - \frac{15}{4\omega^2} \frac{1}{E_n^2} \right) \frac{1}{\cos(E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0})} \right. \\ & \left. + \left( \frac{5}{2} \frac{1}{\omega_0^2 E_n^2} + \frac{1}{2 E_n} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{5}{2} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{5}{2} \omega_0^2 - \frac{9}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{E_n} \right) \tan(E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

Since  $\omega_0^2 = \frac{g}{2} E_n \tan(E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0})$  (n = 1, 2, 3, ...)

and  $\theta = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{E_n^2(E_n^2 - 1)}$  (Ref. 1)

We finally obtain by introducing a damping factor

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\lambda}_{\text{rot}} = & \omega^4 \theta e^{-\omega t} m^2 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{8} + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{E_n^2(E_n^2 - 1)} \left( \frac{1}{E_n} - 1 + \frac{4}{3} \frac{\omega_0}{\omega} \right) \right. \\ & \left( \frac{5}{2} \frac{1}{\omega_0^2 E_n^2} - \frac{9}{8} \frac{1}{E_n^2 \tan(E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0})} + \frac{9}{8} \frac{1}{E_n^2} \frac{1}{\cos(E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0})} + 2 + \frac{1}{4} (E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}) \tan(E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}) - \right. \\ & \left. \left. - \frac{1}{2} \frac{5}{2} \frac{1}{\omega_0^2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{5}{2} \tan(E_n \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}) + \left( \frac{5}{2} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{5}{2} \omega_0^2 - \frac{9}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{E_n} \right) \right) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

and finally for the moment of inertia

$$I_{\text{tot}} = I_0 + I_{\text{corr}}^{(\text{cor})}$$

$$\text{with } I_0 = m a^2 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{4} \right] \quad (36a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{\text{corr}}^{(\text{cor})} &= 2 m a^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{E_n^2 (E_n^2 - 1) \left( \frac{\omega_0^2}{\omega_n^2} - 1 + i g \frac{\omega_0}{\omega_n} \right)} \left\{ \frac{2}{\cosh(E_n \frac{b}{a})} - \frac{4}{E_n \frac{b}{a}} \frac{\omega_0^4}{\omega_n^2} \tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a}) + \frac{4}{E_n \frac{b}{a}} \frac{\omega_0^4}{\cosh(E_n \frac{b}{a})} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2 + \frac{1}{4} (E_n \frac{b}{a}) \tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a}) - 3 \frac{\omega_0^4}{\omega_n^2} - \frac{4}{E_n \frac{b}{a}} \tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a}) + \left( \frac{\omega_0^2}{\omega_n^2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{(E_n \frac{b}{a}) \tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a})} \right\} \quad (36b) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{I_0}{m a^2} &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{b}{a} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{4} \\ I_{\text{corr}}^{(\text{cor})} &= 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{E_n^2 (E_n^2 - 1) \left( \frac{\omega_0^2}{\omega_n^2} - 1 + i g \frac{\omega_0}{\omega_n} \right)} \left\{ \frac{2}{\cosh(E_n \frac{b}{a})} - \frac{4}{E_n \frac{b}{a}} \frac{\omega_0^4}{\cosh(E_n \frac{b}{a})} + \frac{4}{E_n \frac{b}{a}} \frac{\omega_0^4}{\tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a})} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2 + \frac{1}{4} (E_n \frac{b}{a}) \tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a}) - 3 \frac{\omega_0^4}{\omega_n^2} - \frac{4}{E_n \frac{b}{a}} \tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a}) + \left( \frac{\omega_0^2}{\omega_n^2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{(E_n \frac{b}{a}) \tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a})} \right\} = X_b \quad (36c) \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore we obtain for the ratio of the moment of inertia of the fluid

and the moment of inertia of the "frozen state"

$$\frac{I_{\text{fluid}}}{I_{\text{rigid}}} = 1 + \frac{24}{(2g+3)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{E_n^2 (E_n^2 - 1) \left( \frac{\omega_0^2}{\omega_n^2} - 1 + i g \frac{\omega_0}{\omega_n} \right)} \left\{ \frac{4}{\cosh(E_n \frac{b}{a})} - \frac{4}{(E_n \frac{b}{a}) \tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a})} \right\} \quad (36d)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &+ \frac{4}{E_n \frac{b}{a}} \frac{\omega_0^4}{\tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a})} + 2 + \frac{1}{4} (E_n \frac{b}{a}) \tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a}) - 3 \frac{\omega_0^4}{\omega_n^2} - \frac{4}{E_n \frac{b}{a}} \tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a}) + \\ &+ \left( \frac{\omega_0^2}{\omega_n^2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{(E_n \frac{b}{a}) \tanh(E_n \frac{b}{a})} \} \end{aligned}$$

which is shown in FIG. 9.

71. APPLICATION

In a completely filled cylinder the moment of inertia for a rigid body was computed and the correction moment of inertia due to the fact that the fluid in the cylinder is ideal was calculated and graphed.

The value

$$4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{\frac{I_{core}(h_n)}{I_{total}} - 1}{E_n^2(E_n^2 - 1)} \right] - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{I_{core}}{m \omega^2}$$

tends for  $\frac{h}{a} \rightarrow 0$  to

$$\lim_{\frac{h}{a} \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{I_{core}}{m \omega^2} \right) = 0$$

Since

$$\lim_{\frac{h}{a} \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{I_{core}(h_n)}{I_{total}} - 1}{E_n^2(E_n^2 - 1)} = 1$$

And  $4 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{E_n^2(E_n^2 - 1)} = \frac{1}{2}$

For  $\frac{h}{a} \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain

$$\lim_{\frac{h}{a} \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{I_{core}}{m \omega^2} \right) = -1$$

Fig. 3 shows the moments of inertia and the correction term.

The correction moment of inertia for a fluid mass with a free fluid surface due to translative and rotational motion was calculated and graphed for the value

$$\frac{g}{\omega} = 10.0$$

Different damping values  $\gamma$

( $\gamma = 0; 0.02; 0.05; 0.1; 0.2; 0.5; 1.0$ )

and various frequencies

$$\omega' = 0.1 \omega_i'$$

$$\omega' = 0.5 \omega_i'$$

$$\omega' = 0.9 \omega_i'$$

$$\omega' = 1.1 \omega_i'$$

$$\omega' = 0.5 \omega_i'$$

(See Fig. 5, 6 and Fig. 7, 8, 9)

## VII. APPENDIX

The solution of the Laplace equation

$$\Delta \Phi = 0$$

was found as in Ref. 1

$$\Phi_n = [A_n \cos(\lambda_n z) + B_n \sin(\lambda_n z)] [C_n \sin \nu r + D_n \cos \nu r] I_\nu(\lambda_n r)$$

with the boundary condition

$$\frac{d\Phi}{dr} = 0 \quad \text{for } r = a, \text{ we obtain}$$

$$I'_\nu(\lambda_n a) = 0$$

which is fulfilled for

$$\lambda_n = \frac{\epsilon_n^{(1)}}{a} \quad (n = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$$

where the  $\epsilon_n^{(1)}$  are the zeros of  $I'_\nu$

The remaining two boundary conditions lead to the two equations

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{E_n}{a} A_n \sin\left(\frac{E_n x}{a}\right) + B_n \frac{E_n}{a} \cos\left(\frac{E_n x}{a}\right) \right] [C_n \sin v\theta + D_n \cos v\theta] I_0(r \frac{E_n}{a}) = \\ = 4_1 \omega \theta_0 a \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{J_1(E_n \frac{x}{a})}{(E_n^2 - 1) J_0(E_n)} \cos \theta$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ -\frac{E_n}{a} A_n \sin\left(\frac{E_n x}{a}\right) + B_n \frac{E_n}{a} \cos\left(\frac{E_n x}{a}\right) \right] [C_n \sin v\theta + D_n \cos v\theta] I_0(r \frac{E_n}{a}) = \\ = 4_1 \omega \theta_0 a \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{J_1(E_n \frac{x}{a})}{(E_n^2 - 1) J_0(E_n)} \cos \theta$$

From which we immediately can conclude, that

$$A_n = 0 \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$E_n^2 \neq 1$ ,  $\Rightarrow$   $J_0(E_n) = 0$ , to obtain two linear equations for  $B_n$  and  $C_n$

$$A_n \sin\left(\frac{E_n x}{a}\right) + B_n \frac{E_n}{a} \cos\left(\frac{E_n x}{a}\right) = \frac{4_1 \omega \theta_0 a^2}{(E_n^2 - 1) J_0(E_n)}$$

$$A_n \sin\left(\frac{E_n x}{a}\right) - B_n \frac{E_n}{a} \cos\left(\frac{E_n x}{a}\right) = -\frac{4_1 \omega \theta_0 a^2}{(E_n^2 - 1) J_0(E_n)}$$

and by solving these equations we obtain for the integration constants  $A_n$  and  $C_n$

$$A_n = 0$$

$$C_n = \frac{4_1 \omega \theta_0 a^2}{E_n (E_n^2 - 1) J_0(E_n) \cos\left(\frac{E_n x}{a}\right)}$$

Introducing this into  $\Phi$ , we finally obtain

$$\Phi(r, \theta, z, t) = i\omega\theta_0 e^{i\omega r} a^2 \cos s \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{I_n(E_n \frac{r}{a})}{E_n(E_n^2 - 1) I_n'(E_n)} \cdot \left[ \frac{\sin(E_n \frac{h}{a})}{\cos(E_n \frac{h}{a})} \right].$$

and by applying (17) and (18) the velocity potentials:

$$\Psi(r, \theta, z, t) = -i\omega\theta_0 a^2 e^{i\omega r} a^2 \cos s \left[ \left( \frac{z}{a} \right) \left( \frac{r}{a} \right) - a^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{I_n(E_n \frac{r}{a})}{E_n(E_n^2 - 1) I_n'(E_n)} \cdot \frac{\sin(E_n \frac{h}{a})}{\cos(E_n \frac{h}{a})} \right].$$

### EXAMPLE

For a tank of radius

$$a = 100 \text{ cm}$$

and a fluid height

$$h = 200 \text{ cm}$$

Filled with liquid of density

$$\rho = 1 \text{ g/cm}^{-3}$$

The moment of inertia was calculated for a partially filled tank.

$$\text{Acceleration } g = 1000 \text{ cm/sec}^2$$

$$l = 200 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Maximum rotation angle } \theta_0 = 3^\circ (0.0523)$$

$$l\theta_0 = 10.46 \text{ cm}$$

forced frequency

$$f = 0.5 \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

$$\omega = 3.14 \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

$$\frac{r}{a} = 2.0$$

Fluid mass  $\approx$  rating  $m \approx 1.0 \times 10^5 \text{ kg}$

We obtain

$$I = m \left[ l^2 + a^2 Y_1 + \frac{1}{12} h^4 + \frac{1}{4} a^4 + a^2 X_1 \right]$$

$$I = 50.6 \cdot 10^6 \text{ g cm}^2$$

The value, which considers only a masspoint for the fluid in the center of gravity of the undisturbed fluid, is

$$\bar{I} = ml^2 = 25.1 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ gram}^2$$

The error is about 20%, but is of course considerably higher in resonance, which is for this fluid height and acceleration at about  $\ell = 0.62 \text{ sec.}^{-1}$ .

### VIII. CONCLUSION

The moment of inertia of a liquid in a circular cylindrical tank can be considerably different from the moment of inertia of the same fluid in a "frozen state".

The fluid dynamics equations were solved for an incompressible and nonviscous liquid in a completely filled tank. The moment of inertia ratio of the ideal fluid and the same fluid in a "frozen state" was graphed versus the fluid height ratio  $h/a$ . It is seen that for very small and very high fluid heights the value approaches 1. The minimum value is approximately at  $h/a = 1.72$ . For a tank with a square base, the minimum value would be at  $h/a = 2.0$ , i.e. the maximum amount of fluid (sphere in the center) is not affected by the rotation around the center of gravity. In a circular cylindrical tank, the minimum value of the moment of inertia ratio is at a height ratio somewhat smaller than 2.0 because of the circular form. (See Fig. 3 and 4)

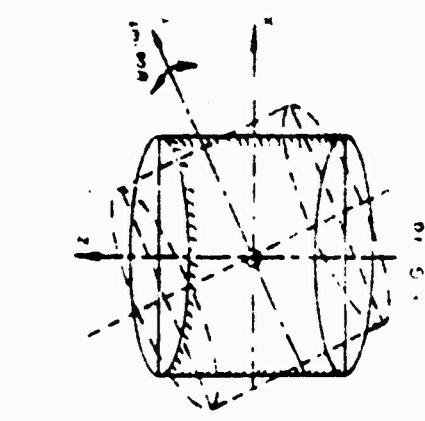
The moment of inertia for a partially filled tank performing translational motions was obtained from Reference 1, and was graphed for different damping values  $\zeta$  (Reference 2) versus fluid height ratio  $h/a$  (Fig. 5 - 8). It can be seen that considerable differences occur compared with the moment of inertia of the same fluid in a "frozen state". The forced frequency plays an important role which can be seen from the graphs.

In Fig. 3, the ratio of the moment of inertia of the fluid and the moment of inertia of the fluid in a "frozen state" is graphed versus the fluid height ratio  $h/a$  for different damping values and different forced frequencies for a partially filled tank. For very low forced frequencies, it can be seen that the moment of inertia ratio is decreasing very rapidly from unity at the fluid height ratio zero to small values for small fluid

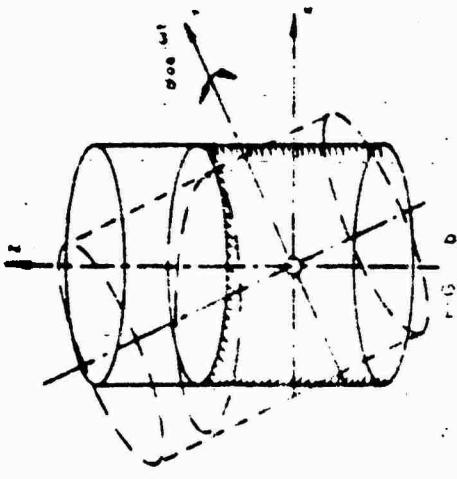
height ratios. At a fluid height about equal to the diameter, the ratio is gradually increasing to 1, and the damping effect is of less importance because of the greater fluid mass that takes part in the oscillation. For increasing forced frequencies, the curves spread out farther. Near resonance, for fluid heights less than the diameter, the value of the moment of inertia ratio changes considerably for different damping values. These theoretical values, of course, will be smaller since the fluid surface breaks up. For higher forced frequencies, the moment of inertia ratio will be greater than 1 for small fluid heights since the ripples on the fluid surface are of the magnitude of the fluid height, while for increasing fluid height, the ratio is smaller than 1 and increases very slowly to the value 1. This is due to the fact that the small fluid surface deflection adds only a very small amount to the moment of inertia.

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FULL CYLINDRICAL TANK



PARTIALLY FILLED CYLINDRICAL TANK

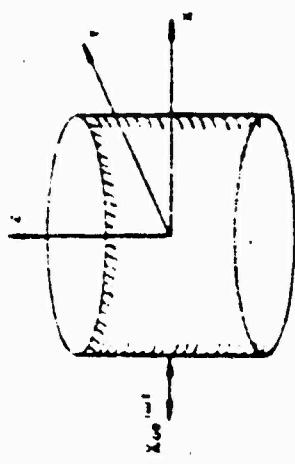
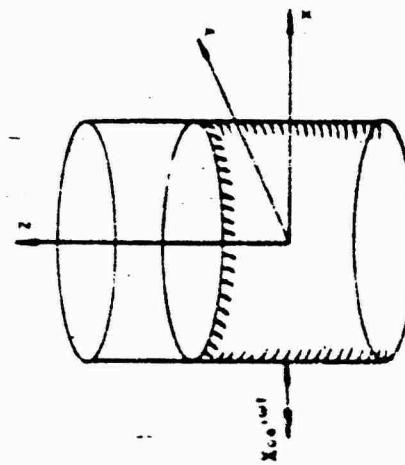


FIG. 1c

FIG. 1d



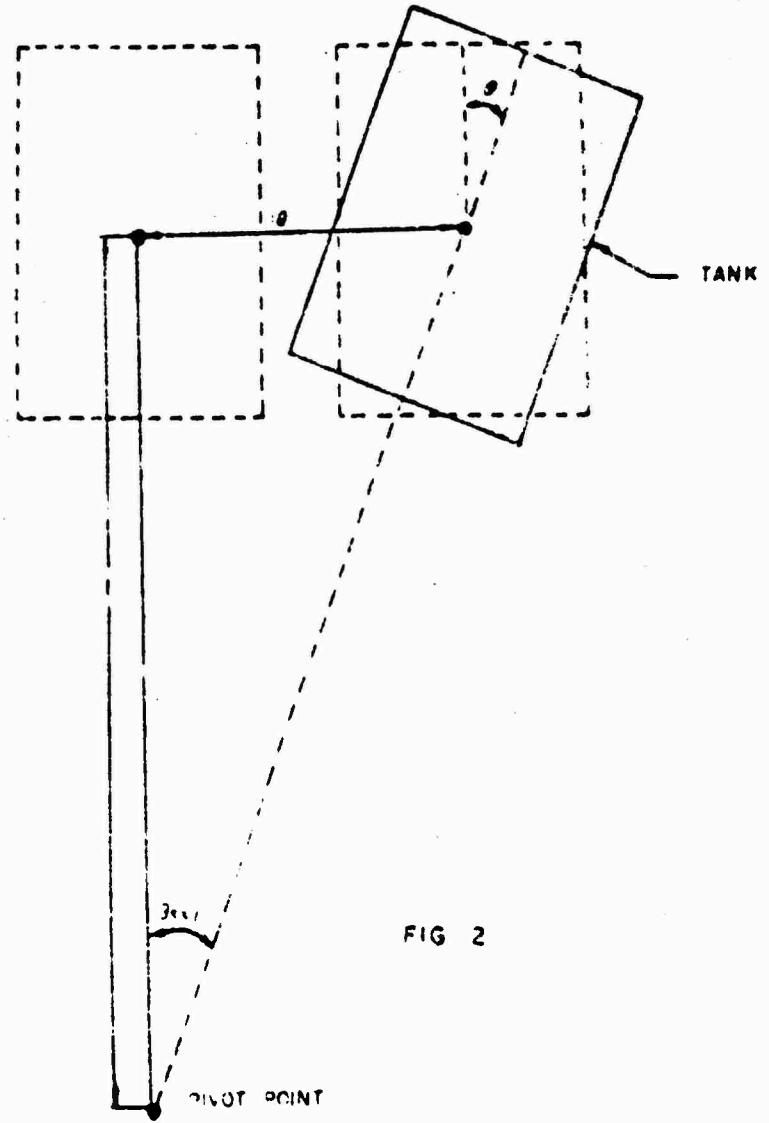


FIG. 2

HORIZONTAL MOTION AMPLITUDE IS  $50 \pm 30^\circ$   
ROTATIONAL MOTION AMPLITUDE IS  $9 \pm 90^\circ$

FIG. 3 MOMENT OF INERTIA FOR IDEAL FLUID AND RIGID BODY  
(COMPLETELY FILLED TANK)

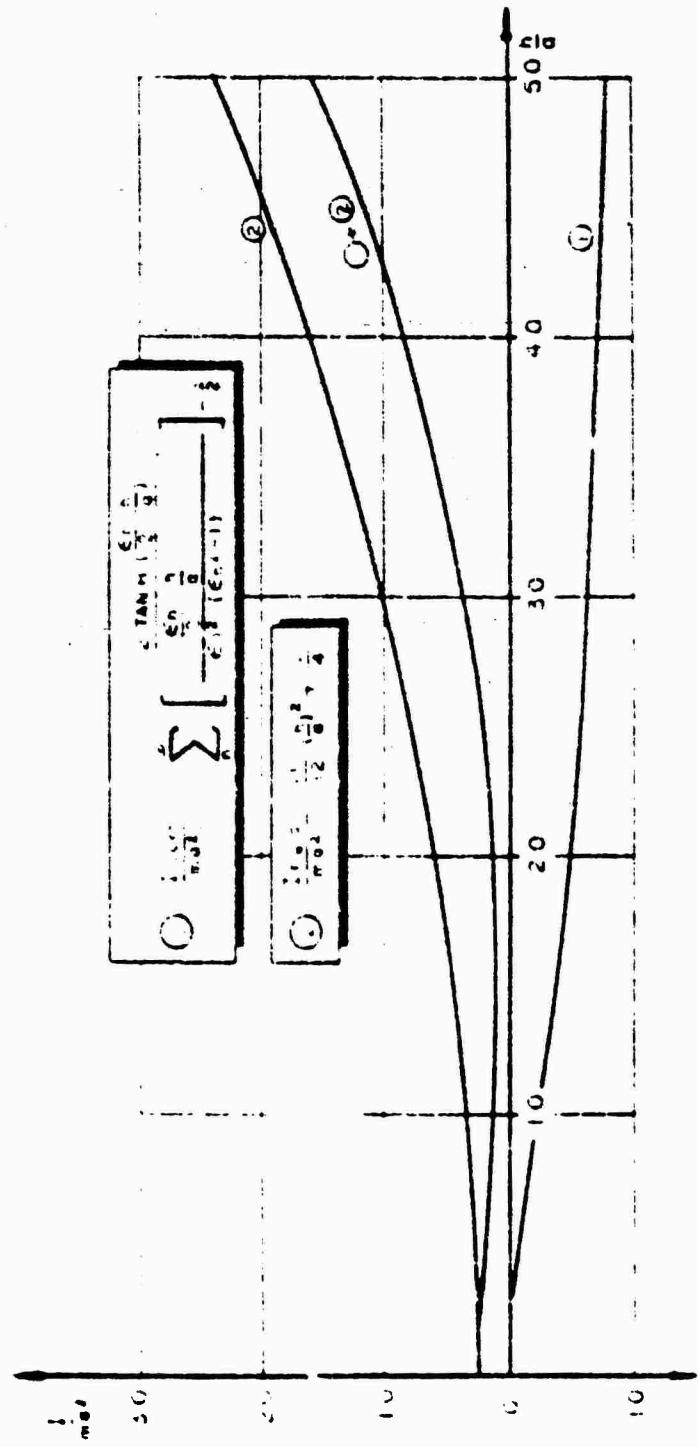
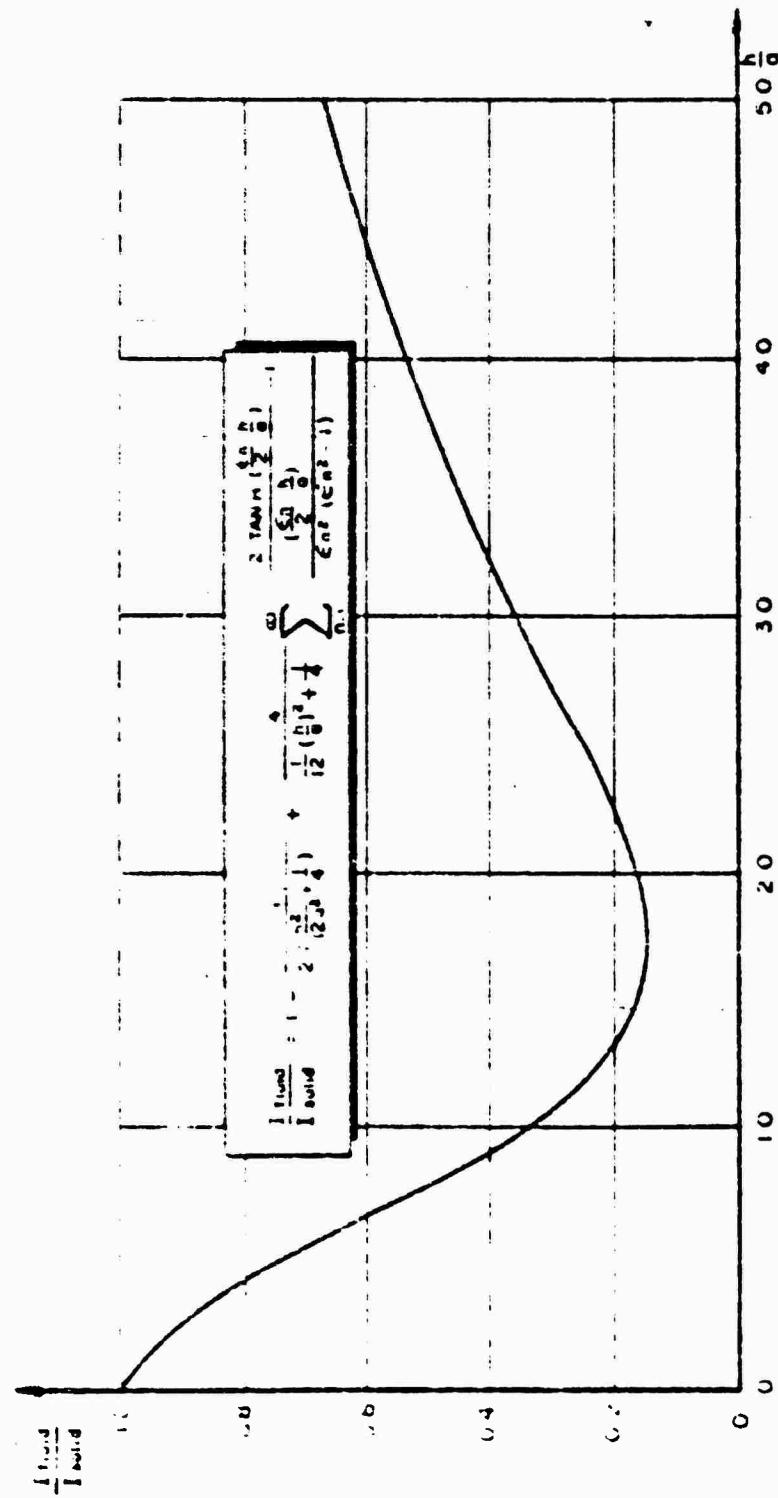


FIG 4 RATIO OF MOMENT OF INERTIA VERSUS FLUID HEIGHT RATIO  $\frac{h}{d}$   
 (COMPLETELY FILLED TANK)



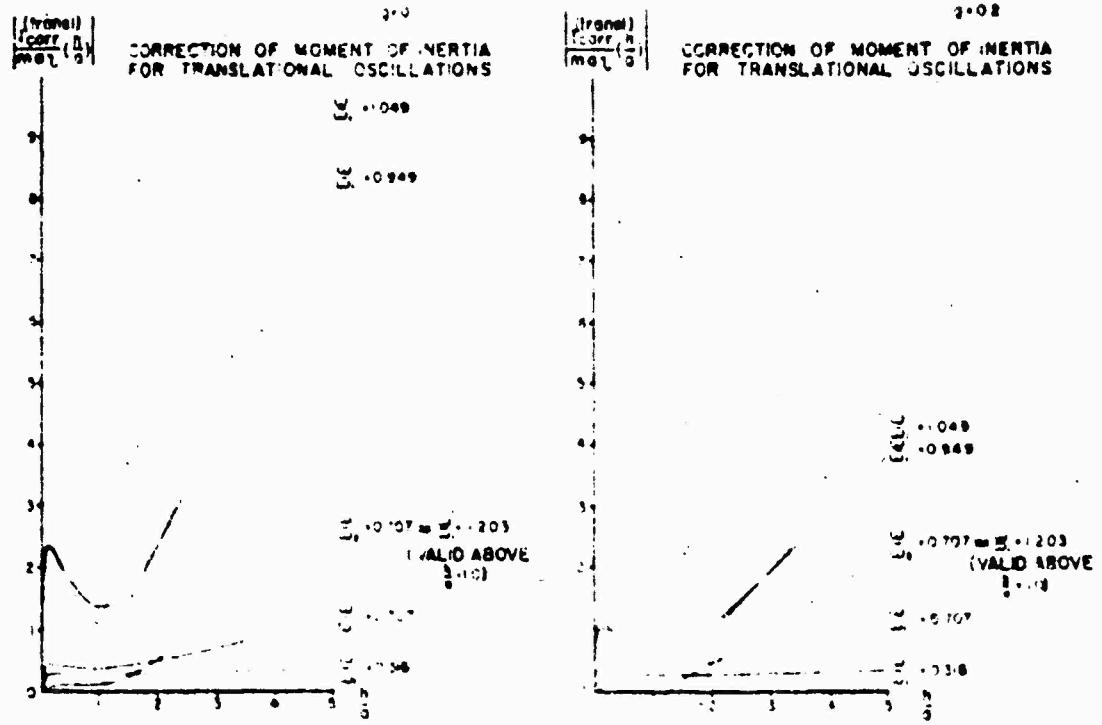


FIG. 5(a)

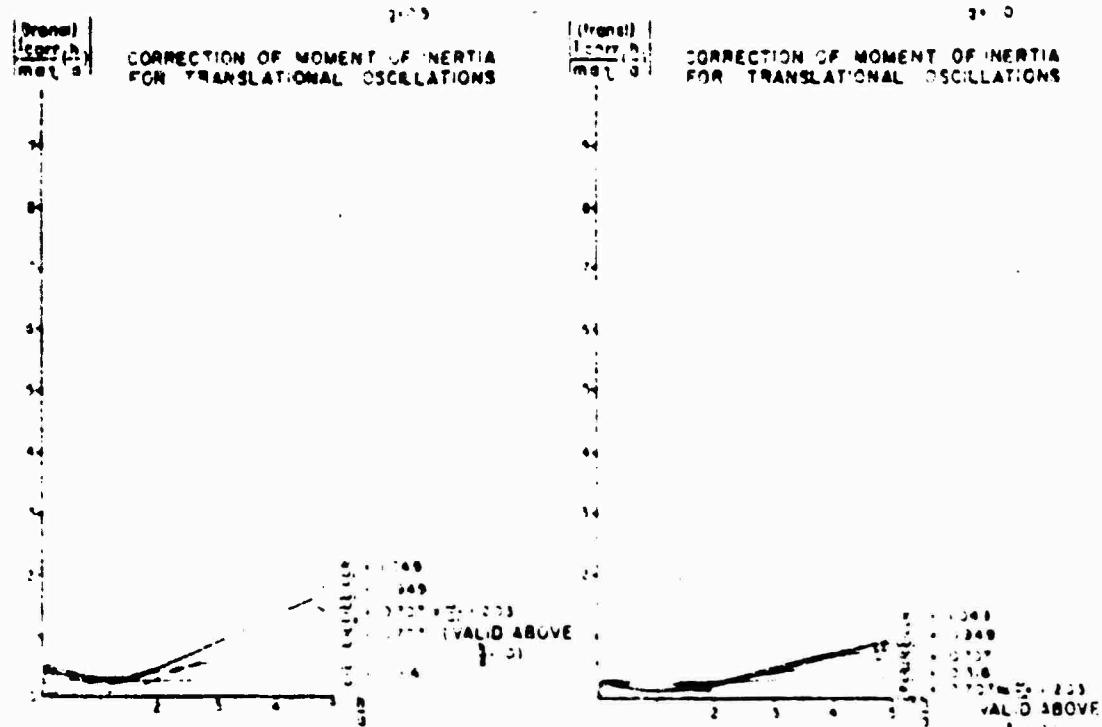


FIG. 5(b)  
PHASE ANGLE FOR MOMENT OF  
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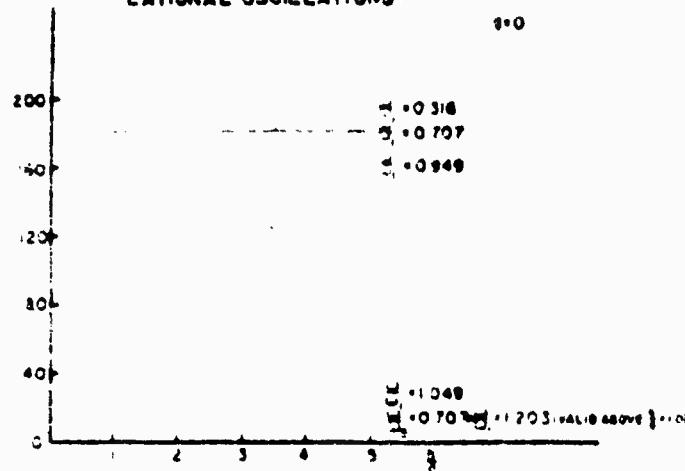


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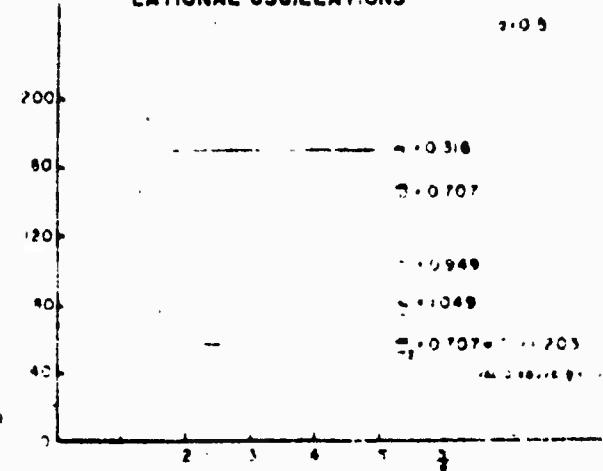
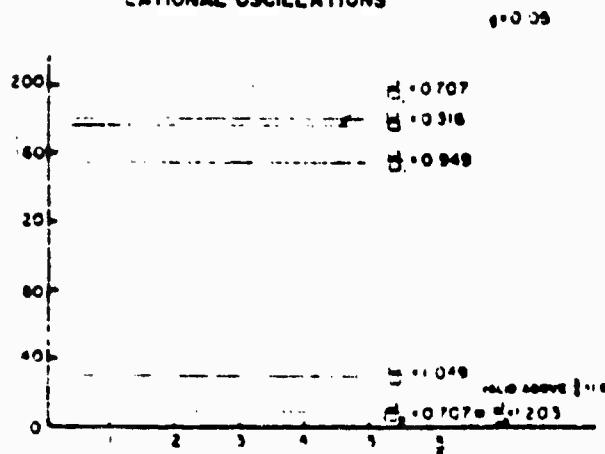
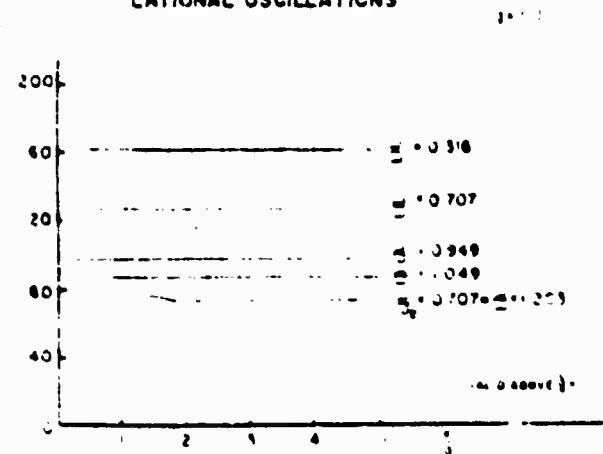


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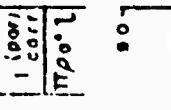
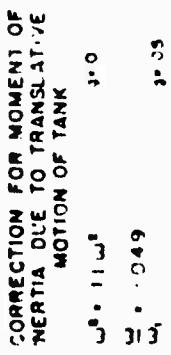
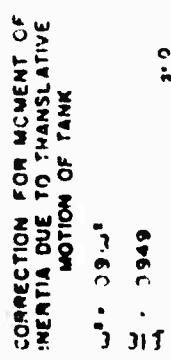
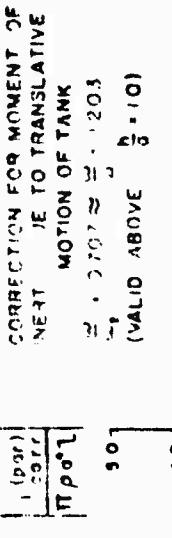
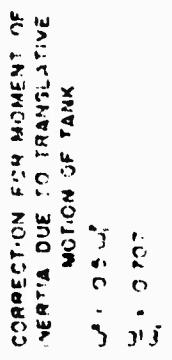
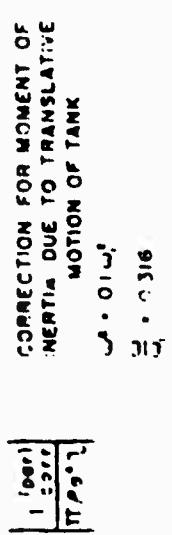
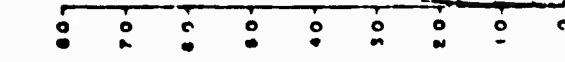
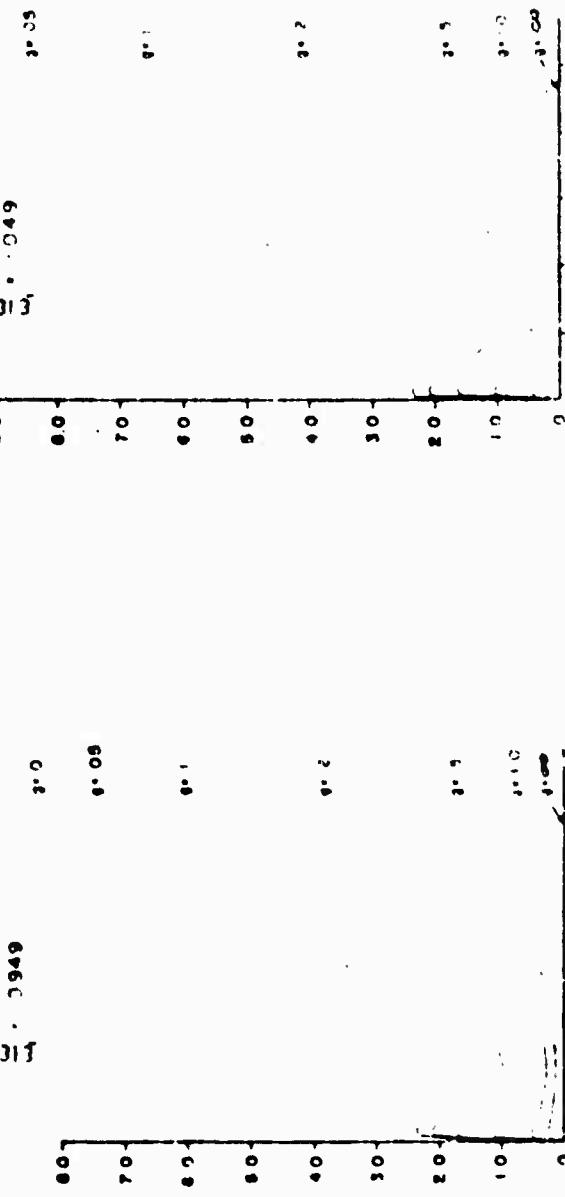


FIG. 9(a)



$$\omega = 0.5 \text{ rad/s}$$

PHASE ANGLE FOR MOMENT OF  
INERTIA CORRECTION DUE TO  
TRANSLATIONAL TANK MOTION

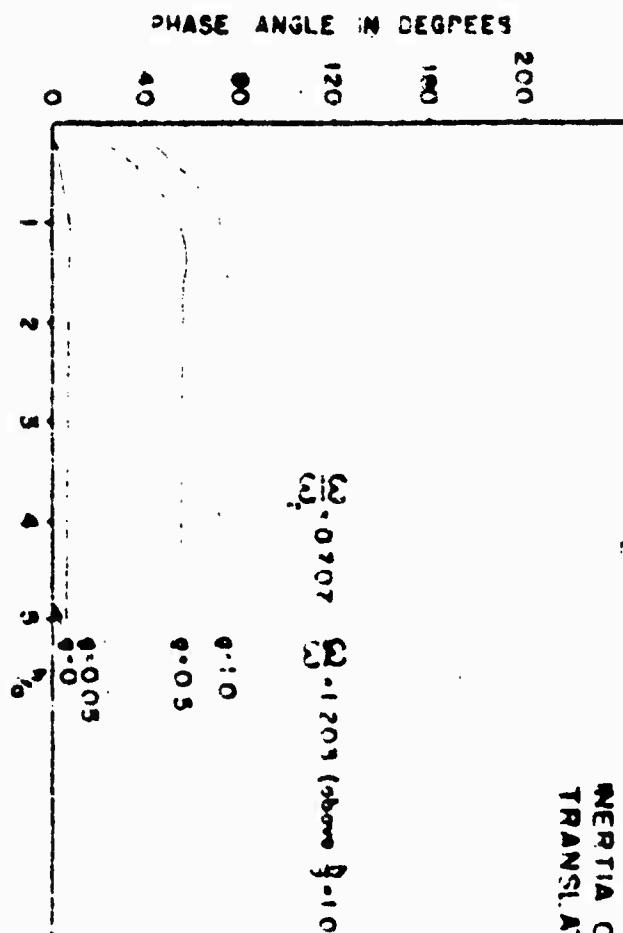


FIG. 6(b)

$\omega^2 = 0.5$

$\omega^2 = 1.5$

PHASE ANGLE IN DEGREES

200

0.003  
0.005  
0.006  
0.014

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PHASE ANGLE IN DEGREES

200

0.0049

0.0063  
0.0064

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PHASE ANGLE IN DEGREES

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0.016

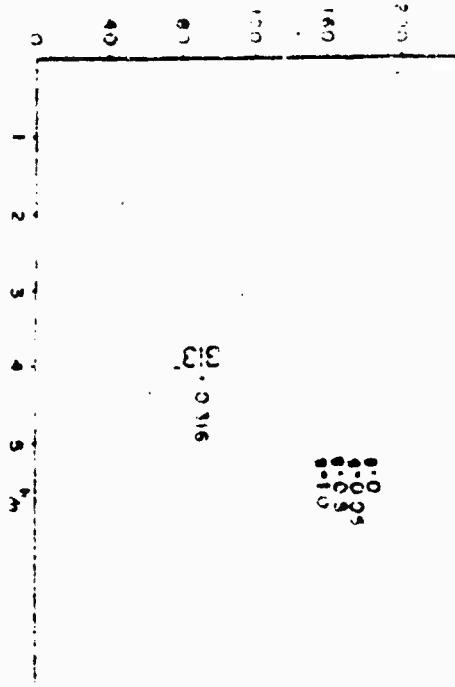
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0.0068

$\omega^2 = 10$

$\omega^2 = 60$

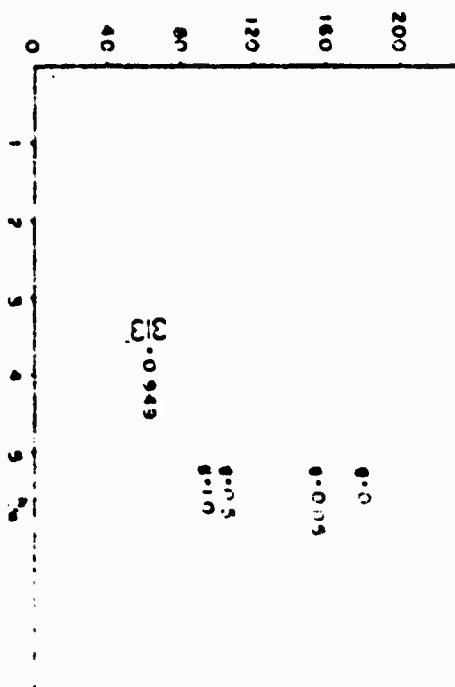
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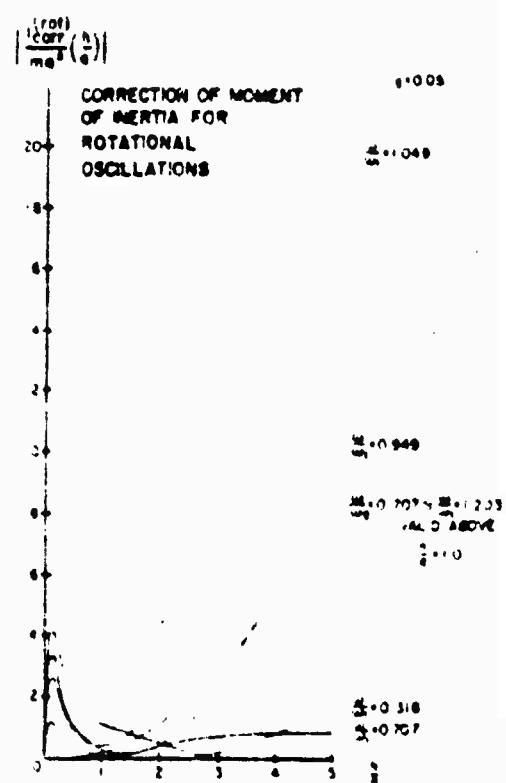
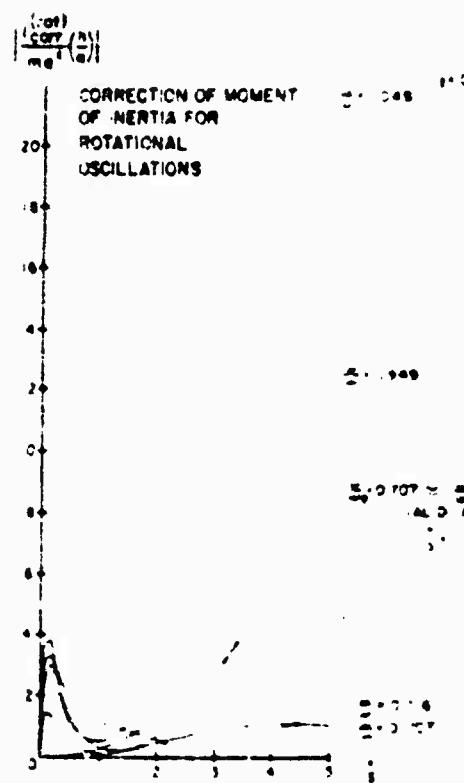
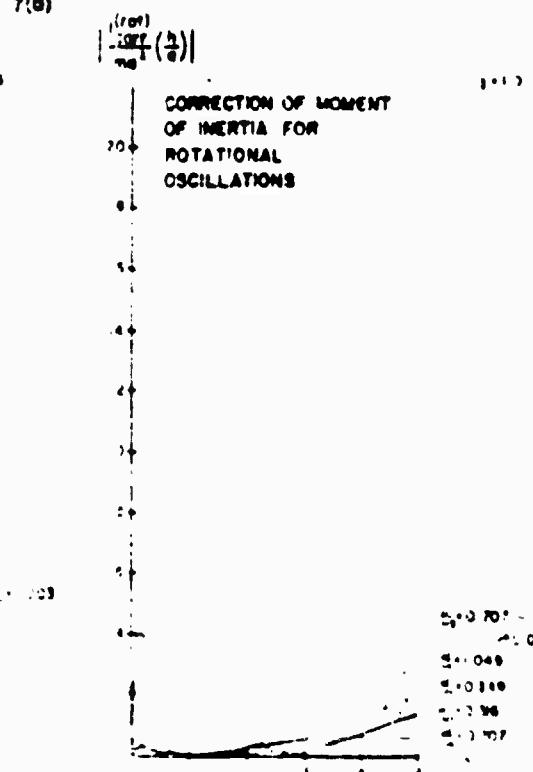
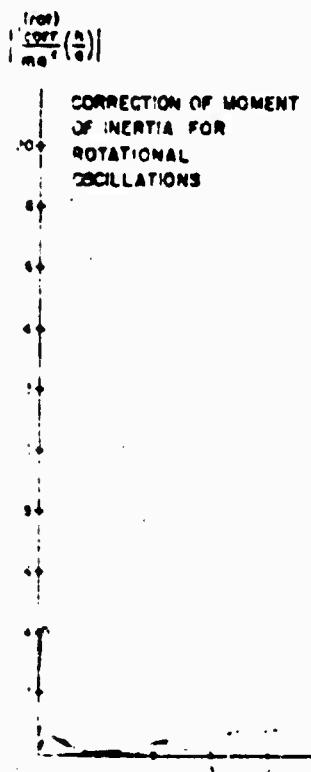


FIG. 7(6)



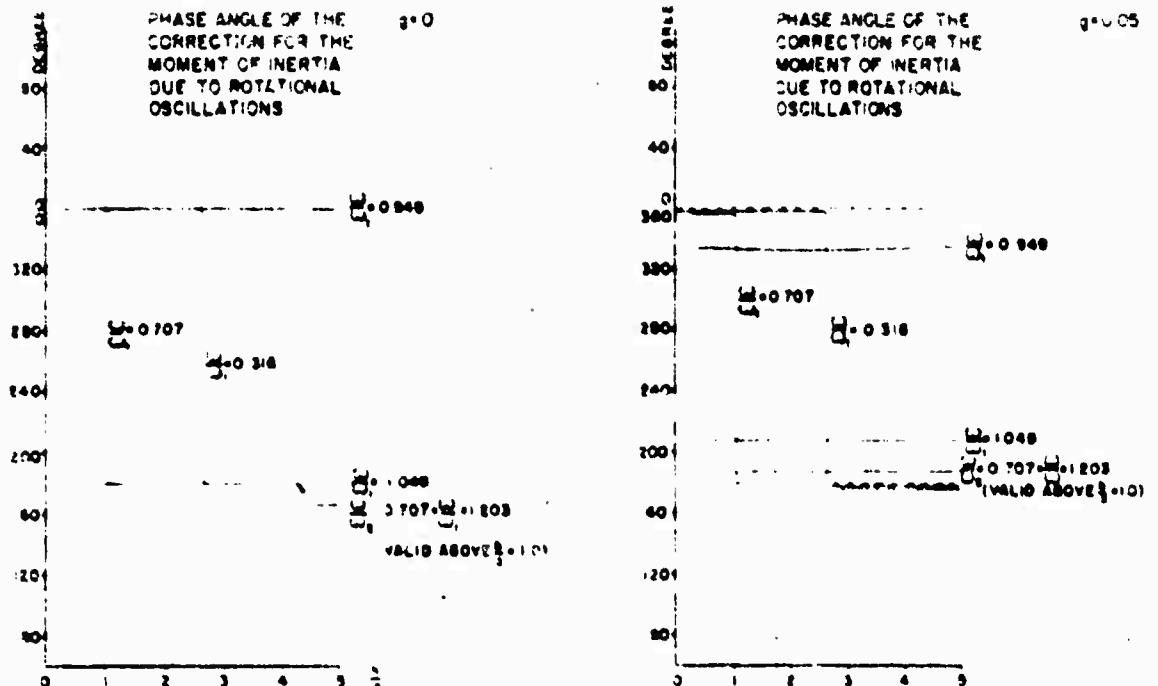
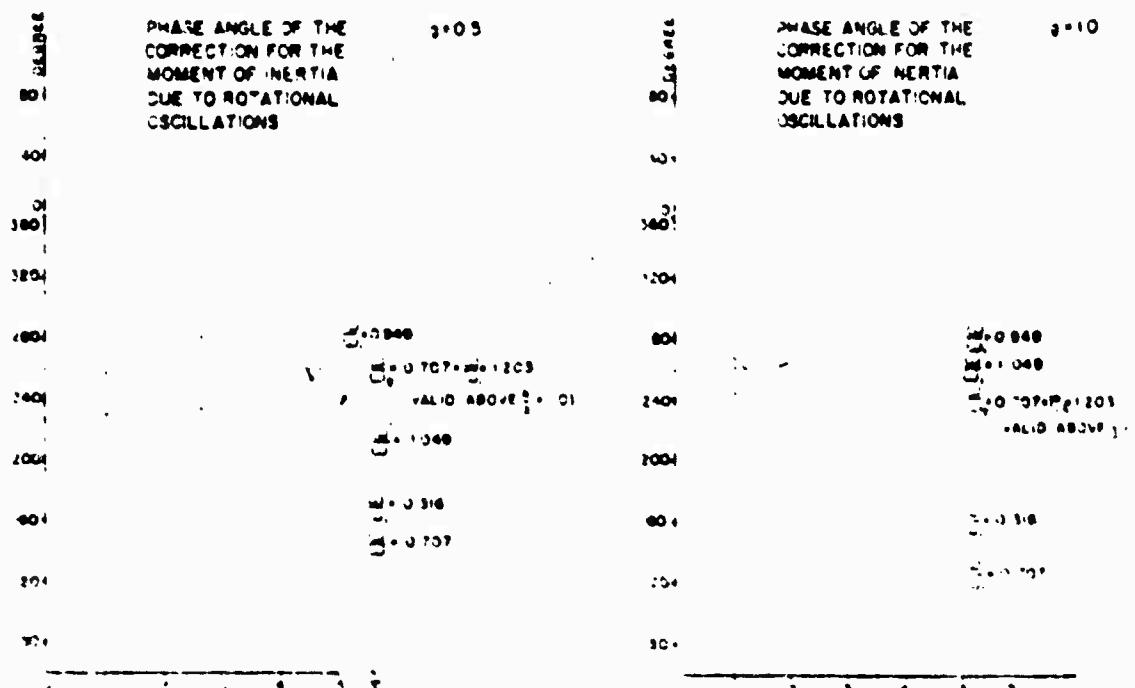
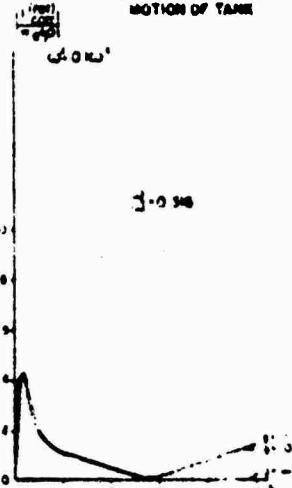


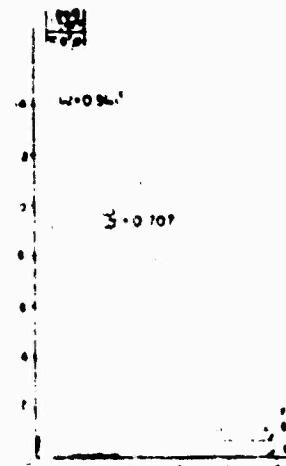
FIG. 7(b)



CORRECTION FOR MOMENT OF  
INERTIA DUE TO ROTATIONAL  
MOTION OF TANK



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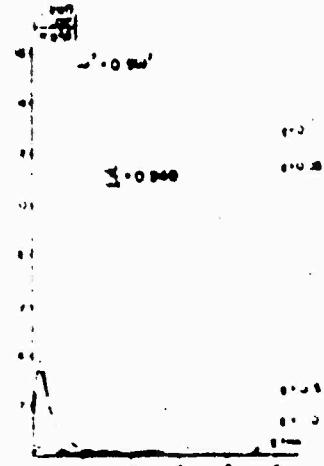
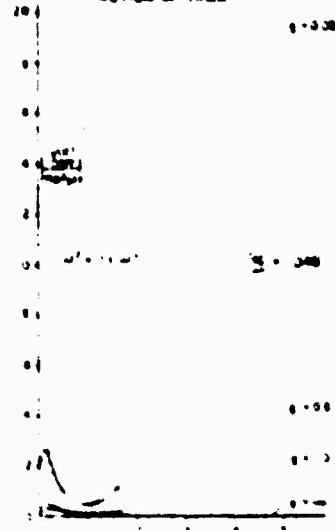
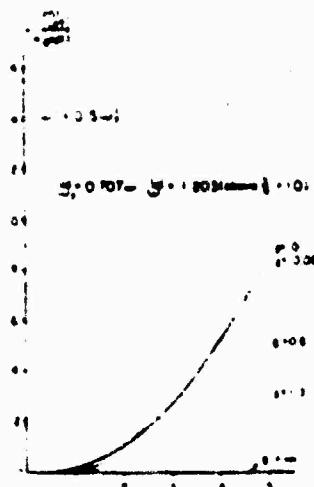


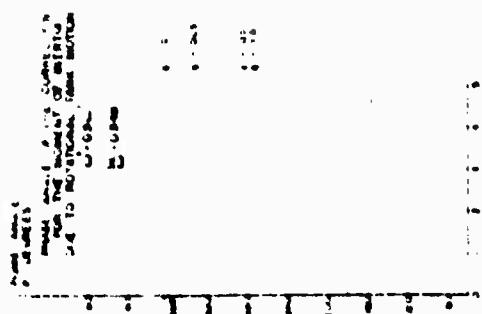
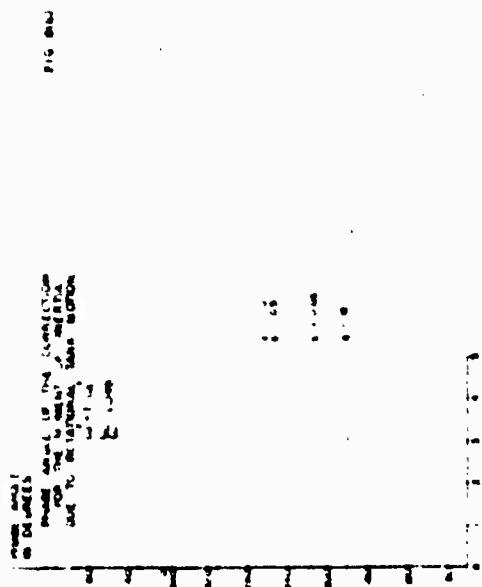
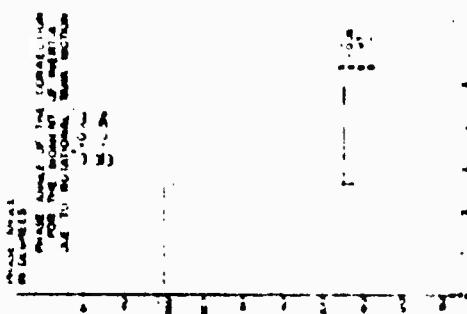
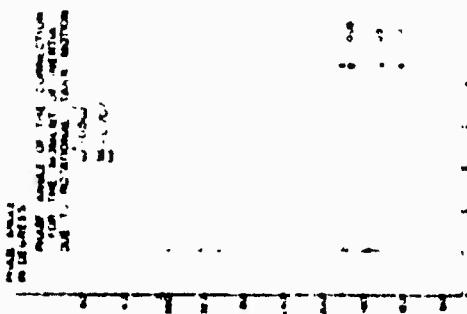
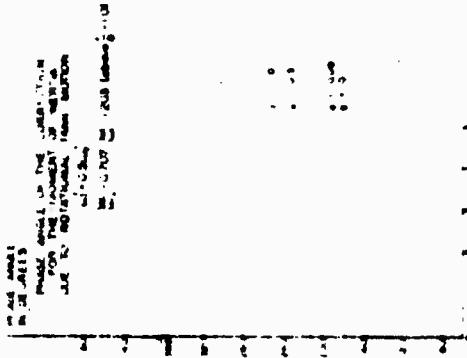
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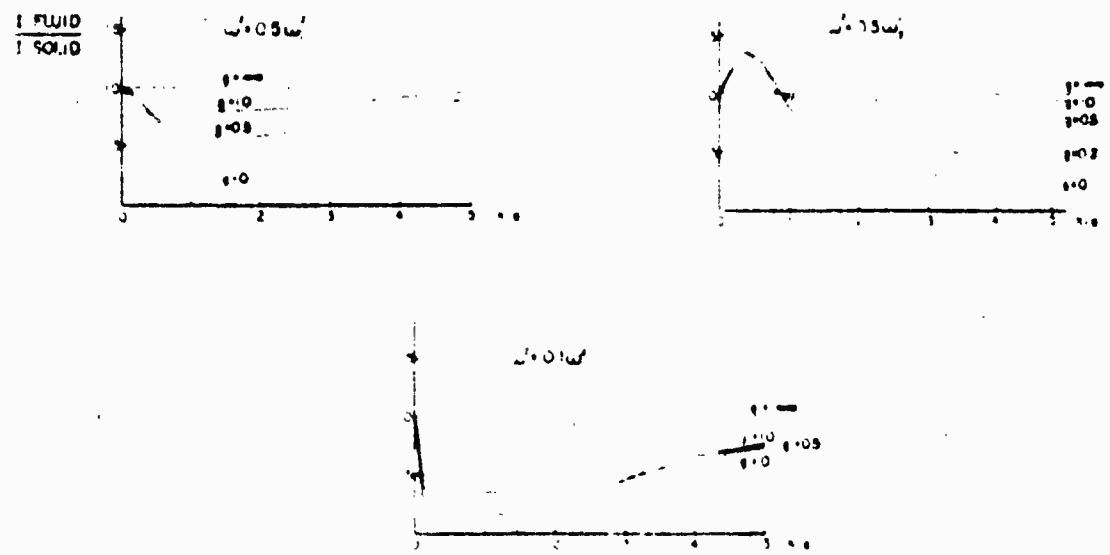
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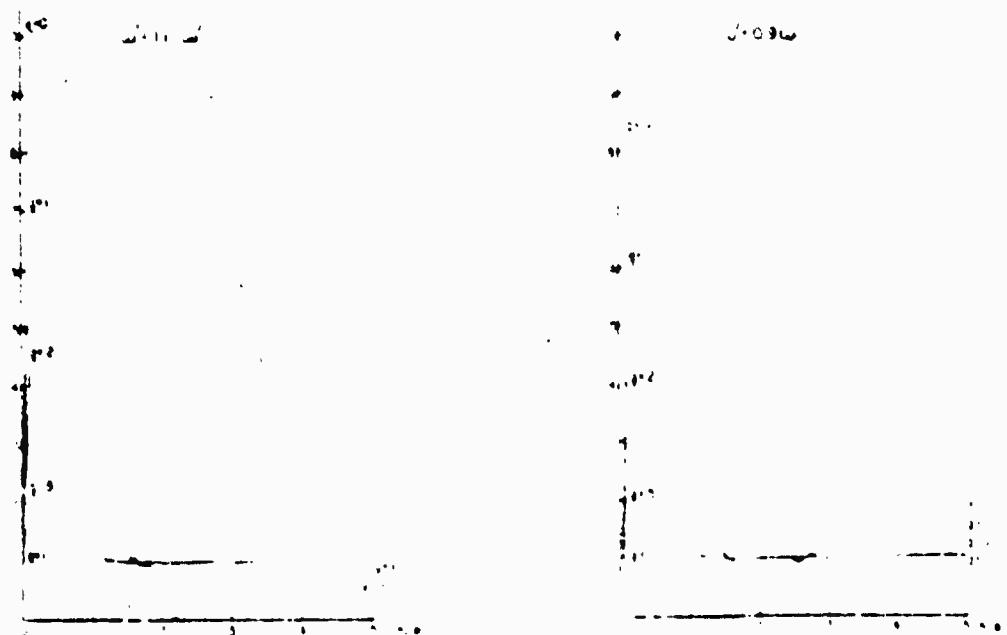


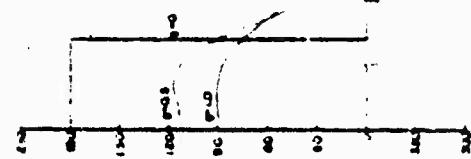
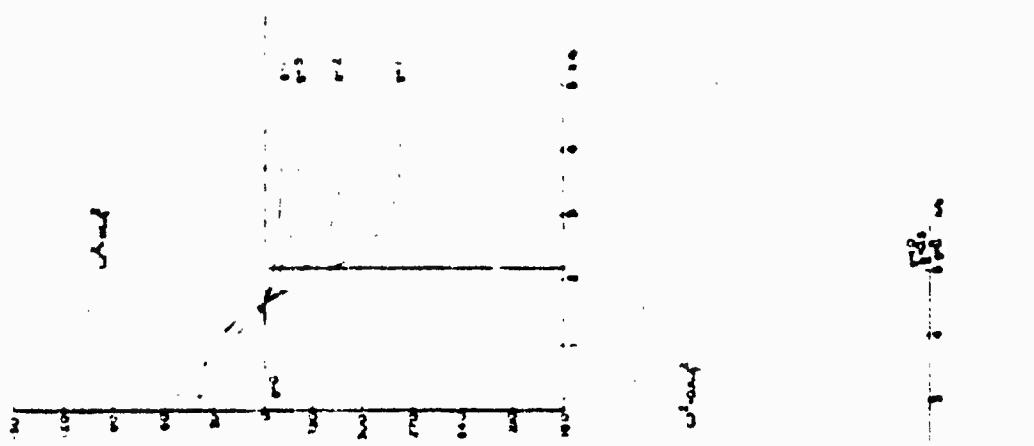




RATIO OF MOMENT OF INERTIA OF FLUID AND SOLID BODY VERSUS FLUID HEIGHT FOR DIFFERENT FREQUENCIES  
AND CAMPINI PARTIALLY FILLED TANK

FIG. 9(a)





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